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SEATTLE SOFT SOAP.

When a ship is launched, the way is greased with soft soap. The Seattle News evidently assumes that oceanic trade lines can be lubricated with the same material, so it seeks to divert Japanese shipping from San Francisco bay and attract it to Puget Sound, by flattery of the Japanese, and professing horror at acts of "demagogues" in San Francisco. Says the News: "The majority of the thoughtful people of California are not in sympathy with the agitation of the demagogues of the cities against the Japanese." And again: "No part of the state of Washington or Oregon, which exceed in area and population the state of California, have any sympathy with the foolish agitation of the San Francisco people."

Overlooking the obvious motive as well as the extraordinary grammar of this statement, let us see what is the actual attitude of the "thoughtful people of California" on the question raised. If by "thoughtful people" is meant farmers, as the context would indicate, it is of course true that there is a strong sentiment among the farmers of California in favor of Japanese, or still better, Chinese labor. The Fruit Growers' state convention at Hanford the other day formally adopted resolutions of this effect, and the sentiment expressed is quite general. These farmers want the Japanese for the same reason that the labor agitators oppose them—because they are cheap and servile. We can not see that the attitude is any more "thoughtful" or any less "demagogic" than the other.

Both are pure class feelings, based on immediate economic advantage, and both ignore the vital point—the preservation of the civilization and racial integrity of this the frontier of the Occident. Neither the farmer view, the labor view, the business view, nor any other class view as such, is to be taken as representing the "thoughtful people" of California. Thoughtfulness is an individual attribute, not a class prerogative; there are thoughtful men in all classes, and no class consists wholly of idiots. The "thoughtful people" are those who think. And there is no really thoughtful opinion, in California, that would risk Orientalizing our civilization or our blood for any economic or political advantage whatever.

We are not foolish extremists. We are willing to meet a practical question in a practical way and within practical limits. But we know our trust in "wardens of the mark," last sentries on the rampart of the white man's world, behind which the whole history of civilization, since that dim day when first the Westward impulse stirred in the blood of our Aryan forefathers. Before us is the whole unfolding future, in which at last the marriage of Asia and Europe, dreamed of old by Alexander, is about to be realized. It is a crisis in the history of the world, and we are at the center of it. No question affecting that crisis can be small, and the question which direction the flood of Japanese expansion shall take is precisely the most important one of all. If economic forces are allowed unrestricted play, the surplus of Japan and the borders of China will in a few years flood our Pacific Coast. They are too many for us, and our undeveloped resources are too tempting for them. If we are to prevent this catastrophe, the exclusion laws against Chinese must be strictly maintained, and some arrangement, preferably a friendly one, must be made to keep the number of Japanese within bounds. Then the great drama of the East will be played on the stage of the West, and we of the West shall preserve our proper place, as spectators and critics. But a very little relaxation on our part would transfer the scene to our own shores, with consequences which no man can foretell. There can be no compromise, in California, with the principle that the welcome which we extend to even unworthy immigrants of the Occidental races shall not be granted to too many even of the worst of the Oriental races.

Beside this great question, the San Francisco school imbroglio is a mere tempest in a teapot, stirred up by Japanese sensitiveness, San Francisco stubbornness, and Rooseveltian hysterics. A little patience could have settled the whole thing. Nobody blames the school department of San Francisco for excluding Japanese grown men from the primary schools. There was no urgent occasion for segregating the Japanese young children. Here in Fresno, where there is probably a larger Japanese population in proportion to the whites than anywhere else in California, the presence of a few Japanese children in the schools does no harm and arouses no feeling. They are neat, well-behaved, studious, bright, and unobtrusive. Individually, they are unobjectionable, and their numbers do not yet present a serious problem anywhere in California. There is no danger of the children becoming a serious school problem until long after the grown men have become a menacing social problem. So the school end of the question is not the one on which to raise the issue. A very little less stiff-neckedness on the part of the San Francisco school authorities, a very little more patience on the part of the Japanese, and a vast deal less exploitation on the part of President Roosevelt, would have smoothed over the whole trouble, and left us to meet the big issue direct instead of distract-

ing attention to one insignificant fragment of it.
As for the effort of the Seattle people to lubricate the passage into Puget Sound with oily flattery, they might be in better business. There is plenty of Japanese trade for both ports. There are more than enough Oriental bodies to swamp both regions. Better not court a social calamity, which they will need our help to avert, merely to gain a commercial advantage which they do not need to overreach us to get.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Jake Hickenberry will leave tonight for Los Angeles.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ellis of Visalia, are sojourning with relatives in this city.
A. E. Lindros of Modesto is spending the holidays with Captain T. H. Baird and family.
A. F. Joyaux came down from Martinez last night on the Owl to spend the holidays with his parents.
L. Elliott, a well-known banker of Modesto, is spending a few days in Fresno on a visit with friends.

Mrs. J. W. Simpson left for San Francisco to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker.
Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McRae are here from Oakland to spend the Christmas holidays with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dunlap.
J. H. Moore, the contractor, came down yesterday from San Francisco, where he has gone into business. He will return on Tuesday.
W. W. Bristol, principal of the Modesto High school, and his wife, are spending a few days in Fresno on a visit with relatives and friends.
Miss Emily B. Parker, a teacher of Huron, is visiting in Fresno and will attend the sessions of the California Teachers' Association in this city this week.

SHOT NEWSBOY AND WENT TO BED

Chicago Business Man Says He Thought Victim Was After His Money.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Having shot and probably fatally wounded a newsboy, apparently without provocation, early this morning, David C. Schnell, a Board of Trade operator, calmly entered his home a few doors away and was preparing to retire when arrested by the police. His victim, 15-years-old, is Robert Thies, who was delivering papers in the vicinity of Schnell's home. Schnell told the police that he heard footsteps behind him and thought he was about to be robbed. He did not wait to see the result of the shooting, he said, knowing that it would arouse the neighborhood. Schnell was released on \$35,000 bonds.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS OF UNUSUAL DURATION AT PLACES FAR APART.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—An earthquake of nearly three hours' duration was recorded Saturday evening by seismographs on the Isle of Wight. A dispatch from Kapsal in the province of Semiretchensk, Russian Turkistan, gives news of an extremely violent shock there at 12 o'clock Saturday evening, lasting ninety minutes. No details, however, are given.

PERT COMMENTS ON FAKE PARAGRAPH

A reporter on a Louisville newspaper wrote a few weeks ago a harmless fake story and his paper printed it the next day. It told of a Kentucky man who had been asleep for twelve years. Since that time the pleasant bit of fiction has been earning bread and butter for people all over North America. Thus we read several days after the thing was published:

"A man in Kentucky has been asleep for twelve years. When he wakes up he should be assured of a permanent job as juryman."

Chicago made that up. In fact, most of the Chicago papers commented in one way or another upon the somnolence of the Kentucky man.

The St. Joseph (Mo.) paragraph man handles it thus:

"Down in Kentucky a man's been asleep twelve years. Won't he be mighty glad to find out all his debts are outlawed?"

Somewhere in Denver has evidently had experience in Kentucky, because the next time the newspaper said shows up it is in a Denver paper thus disguised:

"A veteran Kentucky citizen has been sleeping twelve years. Probably only snoozing off a real, old-time Kentucky jig."

A Dig at "Marse Henry."

A spirit of envy may have inspired the next text on the subject. It comes from a New Orleans paper this way:

"A Kentucky man has been buried in a sound sleep for the last twelve years. Most likely he started in to read one of Marse Henry Watson's editorials."

Hot on the heels of this unkind cut comes the deliberate insult of a Detroit newspaper:

"See that a Kentucky man has been asleep for twelve years. Don't blame him. Things about all there is to do nowadays if you have to live in Kentucky."

There is probably some allusion to local conditions in this paragraph from St. Louis:

"A Kentuckian of some standing has been asleep for the last twelve years. In all likelihood the gentleman is dead, and some of those highly efficient ambulance surgeons have made one of their usual hurried diagnoses of his case."

FIREMEN ARE DISGRUNTLED

Southern Pacific Strike Began Yesterday.

It Affects Southern Lines Only and Is Brotherhood Quarrel.

Houston, Dec. 23.—Pursuant to an ultimatum issued yesterday by the authorized officers of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, following a referendum vote of the members of the brotherhood affected, a strike of locomotive firemen went into effect this afternoon at 5 o'clock, on the lines of the Southern Pacific company in Texas and Louisiana.

About 200 men are involved and the line to which the strike order applies are the Morgan, Louisiana and Texas, the Iberia and Vermilion, the Louisiana and Western, the Texas and New Orleans and the Galveston, Harborside and San Antonio.

The trouble has been brewing since the Southern Pacific company, according to the firemen, abrogated the agreement with the men, several months ago, by signing an agreement with the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, which terminated the privilege of the firemen to regulate the seniority of switch engineers and to represent engineers' members of the firemen's brotherhood on grievance committee.

A large percentage of firemen becoming engineers, maintain their membership and insurance in the firemen's organization, instead of joining the engineers' brotherhood, and this fact seems to be at the bottom of the present trouble, notwithstanding the specific declaration of the firemen that their grievance is against the company, and not against the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

The full effects of the strike will not be apparent for several days and no announcement of the intention of the company relative to the filling of the places of the men who have gone out has yet been made.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—E. T. Havrillman, president of the Southern Pacific railway, who was seen today, would not make a statement on the strike on the Southern Pacific lines. Levitt, a director, however, described conditions as they appear to the company.

"The strike," he said, "will only affect the lines in Texas and Louisiana, and between New Orleans and El Paso, and through Texas-continent commerce will not be hampered in any way. I do not think there is any portion of the system which will be tied up altogether. The engineers are not going out, and no doubt it will be possible to operate in some way or another."

"The company absolutely has no dispute with the men. They are, so far as we know, entirely satisfied with hours and wages. The strike is caused by a dispute between the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Both of them claim jurisdiction over the switch engine engineers. To the management of the company it does not matter, with what organization it makes its arrangements, but it does want to be able to make them with one or the other."

"We are powerless in the matter, and it is outrageous that we and the public should suffer over a question which is of very little practical importance to anyone."

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 23.—Announcement that the strike of the engineers and firemen on the Atlantic system of the Southern Pacific railway went into effect at 5 o'clock was given out tonight at the headquarters of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers.

Grand Master John J. Hannahan declined to be interviewed of a strike, or the probable effect it would have upon the conditions along the system. He simply gave out a copy of the telegram from Second Vice Grand Master Timothy Shea, who has had the matter in charge. The telegram is as follows:

"Houston, Texas, Dec. 23.—We renewed urgent efforts again today to arbitrate the question in dispute, but the company and the engineers absolutely refused to do so. The strike became effective at 5 o'clock."

Grand Master Hannahan denied tonight the difficulty which led up to the strike of the members of the organization on the Southern Pacific railway is a fight between the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, but he charges discrimination against the members of his organization, as was stated in his telegram of Saturday night to E. T. Havrillman. The charge is made by Hannahan that the engineers' brotherhood has absolutely jurisdiction in the settlement of disagreements, which would deprive the members of his organization of a vote in settling any differences that may arise.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23.—Changes in freight routings, caused by the Southern Pacific strike, affecting a territory extending from St. Louis to New York, covered by four of the big carriers entering New Orleans, was announced tonight. From here, such freight consigned to points in Louisiana and Texas will be routed via Cairo, Illinois, East St. Louis, Memphis and Shreveport, La., in place of passing through New Orleans, as ordinarily is done.

The railroads announcing this change are the Queen and Crescent, the Illinois Central, Yazoo and Mississippi Valley and the Louisville and Nashville roads.

HIDDEN ROMANCES

Unfortunate Love Stories Recalled By the Discovery of Beir's Life Attachment.

The discovery, after the late Alfred Beir's death, that in his early days of comparative poverty the multi-millionaire had married his wife for \$20,000, of which \$15,000 was to be paid on his death to "Elizabeth Beir, my intended wife," adds another to the list of lives which have held some quite unsuspected romance.

It is not many years since the death of Mr. Hawthorth, a wealthy North Country bachelor, at the age of 84, disclosed a similar romance, of which no one living had any knowledge. In a secret drawer in his desk was found an old will bequeathing all his estate to "Miss Ellen Knowles, who has promised to be my wife, and whom I wish to enjoy my fortune, whatever fate may have in store for me."

At this time Hawthorth was in a delicate state of health, and there was a probability that he would not live to become the husband of Miss Knowles. But fate decreed otherwise, for the lady died in 1842, the year after the will was made, while her lover, who seems never to have had the heart to make another will, actually survived her for nearly sixty years. From the day of his great sorrow Hawthorth never seemed to be a soul even the name of the lady whom he had loved and lost, and among the younger generations he had the reputation of being a hopeless old bachelor to whom sentiment had always been a stranger.

More remarkable still was the case of Henry S. P., a Devonshire man, who until his death a few years ago, was not only a bachelor, but had the reputation of being a woman-hater. For forty years no woman had ever entered his house, nor had he ever been known to speak to one. His wants, simple enough, were attended to by a manservant as old and crusty as himself, and, in short, if ever a man lived whom Cupid had always left severely alone it was surely "old Henry P."

Great, therefore, was the amazement when an examination of his effects, after death, revealed a drawer full of love letters of the tenderest description, all arranged in order of date and neatly tied in bundles. From these letters, yellow with age, it was clear that the old misogynist had for some years been engaged to a cultured and charming woman, whose memory he had evidently cherished to his last day, but how the romance came to an end seems not to have been revealed.

In another recent case James Lawson Scott, who died in 1900 at the age of 72, left all his fortune, amounting to over \$50,000, to a married lady who had been the idol of his heart for nearly half a century. When Scott was a very young man he lost his heart to the daughter of a neighboring squire, she reciprocating his love. The squire, however, frowned on the suit of the young man, who at the time had barely qualified as an architect and was practically penniless; and so strong was the influence he brought to bear on his daughter that she was compelled to break the engagement.

Scott remained true to his love, and, although he never saw the lady after the day before her marriage, he remained single for her sake and left her every penny of his fortune.

JAY GOULD'S NERVOUS BLUFF.

Brought Express Company to Terms by Buying Safes.

Recalling early days in the express business, an officer of one of the largest companies recently told this story of Jay Gould:

"Gould and Fiske then had hold of the Erie," he said, "and the United States Express company had all the express business on the road. The contract was about to expire and Gould wanted an arrangement more profitable to the Erie."

"The Erie's doing all the work and you're making all the money," Gould said to the express people. "You ought to do some of the work and give the railroad a chance at the money."

"The express company officials demurred. Their profit, they insisted, was no more than they were entitled to, and they refused to share the contract a penny. Gould insisted on a decrease, but they remained obdurate and eventually let the Erie president understand what he very well knew—that no other company would compete against the United States for the Erie business. All the companies at that time were in an agreement to maintain rates."

"All right," said Gould at the conclusion of the interview, "you've no objection, I guess, to my going into the express business myself. It looks better than railroad."

"The express people replied that Gould could organize all the companies he wanted to. They thought it was all bluff, but things that came to their attention soon weakened their faith in this idea. Gould was going around among his associates talking up an express company scheme, officials of other roads were told that a new company would be in the field to bid for their business, and the papers began to talk about the new Gould Express company."

"The express officials, however, saw none of Gould's money going into the enterprise and stood pat. Presently it was reported that he had bought twenty-four big express safes. Was this talk or was it business? The express men asked themselves. They set to work investigating and they discovered that the report was true. Gould had actually bought and paid for the safes—safes costing money in those days, two and he was negotiating for all the other equipment required."

"He was thoroughly convinced of Gould's sincerity, the express company came to terms. Gould got the best contract from a railroad standpoint that had been known up to that time. The clause in the contract that the United States Express company considered most valuable to itself was one stipulating the abandonment of Gould's express plans."

"It was all a bluff on Gould's part, except buying the safes. For that matter the purchase was, of course, part of the bluff, but Gould had actually bought and paid for them unconditionally. Nevertheless, he lost nothing on the deal, for as soon as friendly relations were established with the express officials he persuaded them they could use the safes in their business and sold them to them at a little better than cost."

"Was Thomas C. Platt at the head of the United States Express company then?"

"No," was the reply, "either Platt or any other senator."

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- \$4.85 Smoking Jackets for \$4.35**
Sizes 34, 35, 36 and 40.
- \$6.00 Smoking Jackets for \$5.40**
Sizes 36, 38 and 39.
- \$7.50 Smoking Jackets for \$6.75**
Sizes 34, 35, 36, 39, 40 and 44.
- \$8.50 Smoking Jackets for \$7.65**
Sizes 36, 37, 38 and 40.
- \$9.50 Smoking Jackets for \$8.55**
Sizes 37, 38, 39, 40 and 42.
- \$10 Smoking Jackets for \$9.00**
Sizes 36, 38, 39, 40 and 42.
- \$12.50 Smoking Jackets for \$11.25**
Sizes 37, 38, 39, 40 and 42.

The Christmas Store



The Christmas Store

We have all kinds of nice warm fur trimmed slippers. In red, blue, green, grey, brown and black. Also black velvet, kid trimmed. Prices range from \$1.25 to \$2.00. These are genuine felt goods of superior quality.

We also have full lines of Men's Holiday Slippers in all leathers including genuine alligator in rich brown shades. Be sure and see our stock before buying, as we can show you a very extensive assortment.

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Not only is service kept up, but our stock in all lines will stand the strains of an exceptionally heavy buying season. Our stock is not a mere Christmas make-up. It is one which is growing all the year around and year after year. For this reason, the things that will give real pleasure are found here.

Our prices remain uniform and are consistently low.

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Buy them of the

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They handle the best coast redwood stakes and quote the lowest possible prices.

The Republican Leads...

In Circulation And in Giving the News

1. The first group of respondents (n = 10) was composed of individuals who had been employed by the company for less than 1 year. This group was selected to represent new employees who might be more susceptible to organizational socialization efforts.

TODAY HOLLANDS'

WILL SELL

Set of Nut Cracks and 6 Picks and 200 mixed nuts for 40¢
 Ripe and Green Olives, mixed, per qt. 20¢
 Navel Oranges, ripe, 40¢ size, per doz 25¢
 Navel Oranges, ripe, 25¢ size, per doz 15¢
 Home-made Mince Meat, per lb. 12 1-2¢
 Mixed Candy, for Christmas trees, per lb. 10¢
 At least 10 other mixes to select from. 25¢
 Dates, new crop, extra choice, 3 lbs. for 20¢
 All 25¢ jars of Jelly and Jam. 20¢

NUTS

Straight or mixed, all varieties. We defy competition on prices. Come and see us.

DOLLS

75¢ size, dressed 40¢
 65¢ size, dressed 35¢
 45¢ size, dressed 25¢
 30¢ size, dressed 15¢
 20¢ size, dressed 10¢
 Let us supply your salad wants. We will have

POTATO, SHRIMP, POTATO MELANGE.

Mayonnaise Dressing and Tartar Sauce in bulk.
 The unexpected always happens—Cape Cod Cranberries are off, wholesalers are overstocked and today we will sell at 15¢ per quart. About as cheap as Jersey's sell for.
 In buying your Christmas candies don't overlook our large stock of

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We have them in boxes from 3¢ to \$1.50. Strictly fresh and a great variety to choose from.
 Bishop's Chocolates and Cream Candies in bulk, 40¢ per pound.

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 Before you spend a cent SEE OUR WINDOWS.

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Saturday broke all records for business in our fruit and vegetable departments. We hope to establish a new record today and think we can do so with leaders like these:

SPECIALS

Large ripe Hawaiian Pineapples, each 45¢
 Large White Coast Cauliflower, each 10¢
 Large Coast head Lettuce, 2 for 5¢
 Fancy Bleached Celery, each 5¢

Green Lima Beans Pie Pumpkins Turnips
 Fresh Tomatoes Hubbard Squash Parsley
 Coast Cabbage Oyster Plant Beets
 Celery Red Cabbage Parsnips
 Brussel Sprouts Cucumbers Spinach
 Cashews Carrots

An extra fine lot of fancy apples to decorate your table—such as Colorado Gano, Newton Pippins, Louvers, Langfords and Mountain Apples.

Fancy ripe Bananas, Tangerine Oranges, Grape Fruit, Navel Oranges, Fancy Table Grapes, Cocoanuts, Cranberries and Winter Nellis Pears.

Give us your order today—we will take care of it.

PASSENGER BOAT AFIRE

Bravery of Engine Room Men
Saved 400 Lives.

Steamer on Nova Scotia Coast
Was Beached Just In
Time.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 23.—Word was received here today from Port Dufferin, a small coast town about sixty miles east of this city, that the steamer Strathcona, owned by the Halifax and Cape Sable Steamship company, bound from this port for Canoe and Geyser, had been beached on the shore of the harbor. That no lives were lost is due principally to the heroism of the engineers and firemen, who stuck to their posts until the steamer was beached and everyone of the 380 passengers landed. In less than an hour after the beaching of the steamer, she was burned to the water's edge.

The Strathcona left here last evening under command of Captain Field. Most of the passengers were returning to their homes along the east coast, after a few days of Christmas shopping in Halifax. A few hours after leaving port, fire was discovered in the engine room, and the flames spread rapidly.

When the cry of fire was raised, the wildest confusion reigned. The passengers, most of the crew and only in their night clothes, rushed on deck and made a dash for the life boats, but the crew prevented a panic. The boats were not launched, but were made ready for use in case the flames completely enveloped the steamer before land could be reached. The terror-stricken passengers were huddled together in the bow of the ship, which was headed for Port Dufferin, the nearest place on the treacherous coast where the steamer could find a harbor.

While the Strathcona was driven toward land at top speed, the sailors tried to fight back the flames with streams of water. The draft caused by the steamer's rapid progress, however, fanned the flames into a greater fury, and in a short time the interior of the vessel was on fire. Down in the engine room, the engineers and firemen bravely stuck to their posts, although the flames had begun to surround them. Not until the keel of the steamer grated on a reef a mile from the entrance of the harbor, did they abandon their dangerous positions and rush to the deck. Then the boats were lowered and all the passengers found safety on shore. The Strathcona was only two years old, was of 200 tons, and was valued at \$44,000.

Not long ago the Strathcona ran into and sank the sailing steamer Havana in Halifax harbor and was condemned to pay \$30,000 damages.

CHANGES MADE IN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Hereafter There Will Be Two Men
in Headquarters at Night.

A slight change of detail will be made in the police force, commencing tonight which will effect several of the policemen. Officer Kennedy, who has been stationed at his annual vacation and Officer Fair, who has the Santa Fe beat, will come into headquarters. Officer Minkler will also be stationed at headquarters, but in addition will meet all evening trains, both on the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific. Officer Bradley will spread out on his beat so that it will include H street, which was formerly patrolled by Officer Minkler. This is in keeping with the change at the first of the year, when two men will be stationed at headquarters all the time. This was recommended by Sergeant Walton at the last meeting of the Police Commissioners and they agreed to give it a trial. By the change the men are enabled to get two days' vacation each month which in no way injures the efficiency of the force. Two men are needed at headquarters, one to answer calls from any part of the city, and another to handle the regular business. The change cannot help but increase the efficiency of the police department rather than diminish it for under the new order the people know just where to find an officer and are assured of receiving prompt service, which was sometimes impossible heretofore.

ARRESTS ARE FEW FOR CHRISTMAS "PACKAGES"

Last Night's Harvest of Petty Offenders By the Police.

Business in the police circles has been unusually dull for this time of year. Formerly the police had all they could do, handling the regular Christmas "packages," but this year the number has been exceptionally small. Notwithstanding the large crowds in town Saturday, only two arrests were made. The number increased last evening. Officer Fair arrested "Billy" Danu at the Santa Fe depot. He was a common floater who was bothering passengers at the Santa Fe depot. W. A. Cox, who has spent considerable time in jail recently, was arrested by Officers Kennedy and Kromite on Stanislaus street. He was laboring under a heavy "package" and was presenting the residents of that street with Christmas presents of weeds. George Pickett, a colored man, stoned Quong Wong's saloon on G street and was arrested by Sergeant Walton. Pickett had a scrap with another colored man, who sought refuge in the saloon. Pickett was unable to get inside, so contented himself with throwing bricks and breaking the glass in the doors. Harry Kasaki, a Japanese, started to run the people out of a Japanese place of business in Chinatown, but was promptly arrested by Officer Goehring. Louis Byers, a 17-year-old lad, whose parents reside in Los Angeles, was picked up at the Southern Pacific depot by Officer Minkler. Byers has spent the past few nights in the jails of the principal cities between his home city and Fresno.

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Christmas Specials
Caterers to Fancy Trade

Fancy Cranberries, qt. 12¢
 Dominion Sugar, 50¢ pkg. 45¢
 Mixed Teal and Citron, lb. 22¢
 V. C. Plum Pudding, lb. can 24¢
 V. C. Currants, lb. pkg. 12¢
 Standard Tomatoes, 3 cans. 25¢
 Fancy Ripe or Green Olives, qt. 10¢
 S. and W. Sugar Corn, can 12¢
 Coast Apples, lb. 3¢
 Fancy Mixed Nuts, lb. 15¢
 H. B. Pumpkin, can 12¢
 Sauerkraut, lb. 5¢
 Fancy Bananas, doz. 22¢

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FRANCE AND THE VATICAN

Important Papers Removed
Ere Seizure Made.

Anti-Clericals Said to Be Planning Big Demonstrations
in February.

ROME, Dec. 23.—The Vatican says the French government has not sent a telegraphic circular to its representatives abroad in answer to the protest of the Holy See concerning the mutilation at Paris, and the expulsion of Monsignor Mantegni, but has merely communicated with the diplomats accredited to Paris.

The Vatican now does not conceal the fact that the important documents in the case were transferred, long before the search was made, to the embassy of a Catholic power. While it is not known to what embassy they were taken, it is known it was not that of Italy. It is supposed they were conveyed to the Austrian embassy. It is also stated that the cipher code confiscated was that used during the time Monsignor Lari was the papal nuncio at Paris, and was obsolete.

Twenty-five anti-clerical clubs and several socialist, republican and radical members of the chamber of deputies have decided to promote great anti-clerical demonstrations, with processions, to be held on the same date through Italy, and also to celebrate the anniversary of the death of Giordano Bruno, the Italian philosopher, who, because of his belief in the doctrines of transubstantiation and of the immaculate conception of Mary, was burned at the stake as a heretic at Rome, February 17, 1600.

OFFICER AND BURGLAR FOUGHT USELESS DUEL

Patrolman Found Man on Roof, Both
Emptied Revolvers and Fugitive Escaped.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23.—At an early hour this morning a policeman and a burglar fought an exciting duel with revolvers on the roof of the buildings adjoining a lodging house at 423 East Third street.

The place has been entered several times of late, presumably by the same person, and Patrolman Humphreys was detailed to watch for the burglar. Shortly before daylight he detected a man on the roof, to which he immediately ascended. The policeman's demand for surrender was answered by a shot. Humphreys returned the fire and the two, dodging behind chimneys and skylights as they ran, crossed several buildings before they emptied their revolvers.

The fugitive finally plunged through a glass skylight and made his escape.

AMBASSADOR BRYCE DECLINED PEERAGE

Will Be the First to Represent Great
Britain Without Wearing a
Title.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—James Bryce, it would appear, has declined a peerage, but at any rate, according to the Daily Telegraph, he will go to the United States as British ambassador without changing his name, and thus be the first plain citizen to represent his country at Washington, and, says the Chronicle, "Americans who know and honor him as James Bryce will esteem him all the more because he declined a title."

The comments of the Irish papers of all shades regarding Bryce's departure are rather cool. They generally regard Bryce as lacking in necessary sympathy, and as having been rather a weak than a strong Irish secretary.

POLICEMEN TO PROTECT CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

Chief of Police Shaw stated yesterday afternoon that the regular policemen, Coyle and Machin, will be stationed at the corner of J and Tulare and J and Mariposa Monday to protect the Christmas shoppers. On Saturday it was found that the experiment worked to advantage. The presence of a policeman kept people from driving recklessly across these two principal thoroughfares, thus preventing serious accidents. On both of these corners the women, loaded down with Christmas purchases, are not in a position to avoid vehicles and street cars. Therefore the services of an officer is considerably in demand, not only to protect the public, but to keep a clear passageway at these corners.

According to the policemen the Christmas trade this year greatly exceeds if not doubles that of last year. Their assertion is borne out by the storekeepers, who say that their receipts will run considerably higher than for the same day last year.

LONG ISLAND ROAD GRANTS YARDMEN THE DESIRED INCREASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Officials of the Long Island railroad today signed an agreement with representatives of their yardmen, by which the latter will receive an increase from the present wage scale of 3 1-2 to 4 1-2 cents per hour. This action removes the Long Island road as a factor in the demand for a 5 cents an hour increase, which the roads involved agreed yesterday to submit to arbitration.

Ignatieff's Assassin Unidentified.
ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 23.—The assassin of Count Ignatieff is still unidentified. He admits that he carried out the orders of the extreme section of the revolutionists, who recently decided to attempt to take the lives of the highest personages in the land.

Victims of Man Amuck.
BOWLING GREEN, Ky., Dec. 23.—Of six men wounded last night by Tom Wilson, who ran amuck in the business section of this city, Policeman Pete Bardemack is dying and Homer Still is in a critical condition. The other four were not seriously hurt.

TWENTY-FOUR HURT IN NEVADA WRECK

Collision at Harney on Saturday
Evening Resulted in Serious
Injuries.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 23.—Twenty-four persons were injured in the head-on collision at Harney, Nevada, when a special westbound passenger train crashed into a special freight standing on the track waiting for orders. Saturday evening, brakeman J. J. Wasmuth had one of the small bones of the left leg broken. He was taken to a hospital at Ogden for treatment. The other injured were able to continue on their journey, having only minor hurts. Five of the passenger train crew were hurt, including Engineer G. R. Linville and Fireman Scott, both of whom were bruised.

It is understood that the freight train engineer did not know that the passenger train was due to arrive at the station. He explains that his watch had stopped and he went into the station to get the time and ask for orders and, while so engaged, the passenger train thundered along at full speed. Engineer Linville saw the danger and threw on the brakes, but could not avert the wreck.

Both engines were total wrecks and several of the passenger coaches were thrown from the track. The smoker was turned over on its side and all the passengers thrown violently to the floor, and among the seats.

The wrecked train was sent to the scene from Ogden and worked until this afternoon before the track was cleared. The passengers were taken to Sparks in a special train, and remained there until 9 o'clock tonight, when they continued their journey on a special train.

Found Dead in Chair.

REDDING, Dec. 23.—Mrs. John W. Garden, one of the most prominent women of Northern California, was found dead this afternoon, in a chair in her home. She had gone to the telephone to call up her husband down town, and had the telephone directory in her hand when found.

Ring Main 87 For your drug wants. Prompt service.

Do you want something new, something neat and ice, yet appropriate and inexpensive, as a Christmas remembrance for a friend? Take a look at these PASSEPARTOUT MOTTOES at C. T. CEARLEY'S, 1113 J St. They are selling rapidly, but there is a nice lot to choose from yet.

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Raisins, per lb. 10¢
 Fresno Clusters, for Xmas. 35¢
 Cauliflower, each 10¢
 Fancy Coast, regular 12 1-2¢
 Swiss Cheese, per lb. 35¢
 Genuine imported. 35¢
 Walnuts, per lb. 15¢
 Finest paper shell, the very best. 10¢
 CANDY—Jelly Beans, per lb. 10¢
 Xmas mixed, 2 lbs. 25¢
 Special mixed, per lb. 10¢
 Cranberries, per qt. 15¢

Genuine Cage Cod.
 Cup and Saucer 35¢
 Fine china, decorated, regular 50¢ grade.
 Knives and Forks, per set, 6 each \$2.50
 Solid Mexican silver, \$3.00 the regular price.
 Finest Fruit Cake, Plum Pudding, Etc.

It doesn't pay and you haven't the time to bother making fancy pastry for the dinner, when you can get the most delicious plum pudding, mince pies, fruit cake, or any other kind of pie or cake you may wish of us and at such a reasonable cost. They're home-made, and of the finest materials, cleanly and perhaps more carefully baked than you could do it yourself. Better order early.

10 Per Cent Discount on Xmas China

Besides the modest prices on our Christmas chinaware, we give you a special 10 per cent discount on anything in the crockery or bazaar department today. It will pay you to spend a few minutes of your shopping time here.

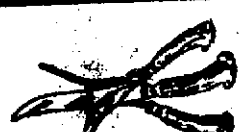
Handsome Jardiniers for Gifts

Don't you think a beautiful jardinier would be appreciated? We have an exceptionally fine assortment of handsome jardinieres that were purchased especially for Xmas gifts. They are beautifully decorated, colors are rich and harmonious, and our prices positively cannot be duplicated. From 25¢ to \$5.00, less 10 per cent discount.

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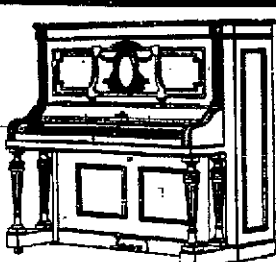


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EDUCATION OF INDIANS

Manual Training Is Producing Good Results.

Cooking and Laundry Work and School Gardens Are Good Features.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The annual report of Miss Estelle Reel, superintendent of Indian schools, made public today, indicates that manual training is becoming a feature of education among the Indians, and with entirely satisfactory results.

The superintendent has visited practically all of the Indian schools during the year and reports that more teachers are recognizing the special characteristics of the Indians, and consequently better methods of teaching prevail.

The teaching of cooking and home laundry work now occupies a permanent place in the regular course. School gardens have increased in number and extent. The beneficial results of educational work among the Indians are illustrated by the larger number of pupils who have found employment in various occupations requiring manual skill, and the prediction is made in the report that a greater number of Indians will become self-supporting each year, as the result of manual training method.

TRIPLE TRAGEDIES

Some Proofs That Three Is a Very Unlucky Number.

Misfortunes, they say, never come singly, and certainly there is more than a germ of truth in this old saying. Over and over again it has been noticed that when one great disaster occurs, it is quickly followed by a second, and then a third of similar description.

Twice in the present year we have seen this occur. First, San Francisco was wrecked by earthquakes and fires, and then in the same month, Vesuvius erupted, and destroyed many villages, and hundreds of lives; thirdly, Valparaiso was almost wiped out by a series of earthquakes.

In the matter of railway accidents, there had been very few of any importance for a year previous to the disaster at Salisbury, but that was followed in rapid succession by the shocking accident to the Scotch express, and by the bridge disaster in Oklahoma.

When a great man dies his death is very often followed by those of two others in high positions. There was a striking instance of this six years ago. In July, 1900, King Humbert of Italy fell by the bullet of an assassin. On the 30th of the same month the Duke of Sax-Coburg died of a disease the existence of which was unknown to

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Port, XXX	45
Port, XX	40
Port, XXX	1.20
Muscat, XX	60
Angelic, XX	60
Angelic, XXX	1.20
Tokay, XXX	1.20
Kentucky Bourbon Whiskey, X	1.20
Kentucky Bourbon Whiskey, XX	1.60
Kentucky Bourbon Whiskey, XXX	2.00
Union Label Rye	2.50
Henningsen Whiskey	2.50
Old Crown Bourbon Whiskey	3.40
Guinness Stout	3.50
Holland Gin, No. 1	2.25
Holland Gin, No. 2	2.25
Cal. Grape Brandy, No. 1	2.25
Cal. Grape Brandy, No. 2	2.25
Cal. Grape Brandy, No. 3	2.25
White Rye, No. 1	2.25

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Certified List Of Claims

ALLOWED BY
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF FRESNO COUNTY

AT THE
December, 1906, Meeting
Fresno, Cal., Dec. 3rd, 1906

Salary Fund.	Amount.
Claimant-Service.	
C. W. Fisher, Board Education.	\$ 8.00
H. McQuinn, Board Education.	5.00
G. N. Brown, Board Education.	5.00
W. E. Edwards, Board Education.	5.00
Osmer Abbott, Board Education.	6.75
H. S. Burleigh, Supervisor.	138.85
G. W. Beall, Supervisor.	145.25
J. H. Johnson, Supervisor.	145.85
Thos. Martin, Supervisor.	145.85
W. D. Mitchell, Supervisor.	145.85

General Fund.	Amount.
T. N. Sample, Co. Physician.	132.35
Thos. Sample, Sheriff.	221.00
H. N. Sample, Engineer.	100.00
E. F. Fitzgerald, Engineer.	80.00
H. Landon, Engineer.	50.00
J. A. Brown, Bee Inspector.	10.00
J. L. Sizer, Farmer.	75.00
A. M. Ewing, Secretary.	80.00
G. H. Bland, Supt. Hospital.	75.00
R. E. L. Cobb, Game Warden.	85.00
C. L. Long, Health Officer.	50.00
W. M. Burton, Night Watch.	65.00

Bridge Fund.	Amount.
A. B. Cowan, Coroner.	192.00
J. H. Henderson, Supt. Park.	75.00
H. Patterson, Janitor.	12.00
C. B. Harkness, Hort. Comm.	4.00
J. M. Brooks, Hort. Comm.	112.00
F. C. Schell, me. horse and buggy.	28.00
F. C. Schell, Cash Exp.	3.08
G. H. Bland, Cash Exp.	18.50
G. H. Bland, Co. Export.	112.00
B. Newton, Labor.	30.00
J. Gueso, Labor.	30.00
V. Connelico, Labor.	30.00
A. Jack, Labor.	20.00
Mrs. L. Jolly, Labor.	12.00
W. S. Summers, Labor.	61.25
T. Hunt, Labor.	8.75
P. R. Fanning, Care of Oil.	51.00
N. J. Guard, Clerical Work.	5.00
W. C. Guard, Clerical Work.	60.00
W. C. Guard, Blacksmithing.	20.00
Lon Bearden, Reporting.	60.00
Fresno Orphanage, Maintenance.	351.80

Advertising Fund.
Fresno Poultry Ass'n, Advertising. 100.00
Fresno Chamber of Commerce, Advertising. 25.00
State of California, County of Fresno, ss.
I, W. O. Miles, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno, State of California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct list of claims allowed by said Board of Supervisors at its December meeting, as shown by the record of said Board.
Witness my hand and seal of said Board, this 3rd day of December, 1906.
W. O. MILES, Clerk.
A. D. Ewing, Deputy.

CERTIFIED LIST OF CLAIMS

Allowed By the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County at the December, 1906, Meeting, Fresno, Cal., Dec. 8th, 1906.

Road District No. 2.	Amount.
Claimant-Service.	
Dale Rose, Blacksmithing.	11.10
Cobb Evans Co., Blacksmithing.	10.00
M. H. Novell, Hauling.	19.12
G. E. Brown, Bridge Work.	22.50
G. E. Brown, Bridge Work.	11.00
F. M. Phillips, Bridge Work.	38.00
Chas. Lawrence, Bridge Work.	10.00
Wm. Luckhurst, Bridge Work.	20.00
J. W. Burdett, Road Work.	60.00
V. H. Davis, Road Work.	24.25
Wm. Doherty, Road Work.	25.50
G. B. Cranner, Road Work.	27.00
Tom Peterson, Road Work.	2.50
T. E. Parker, Road Work.	22.00
J. H. Nelson, Road Work.	32.00
Clyde Hamilton, Road Work.	20.00
C. A. Burgen, Road Work.	68.00
Chas. McIntire, Road Work.	40.00
Elmer McNab, Road Work.	14.00
C. W. Burgen, Road Work.	45.50
C. M. Howard, Road Work.	84.45
J. W. Foster, Road Work.	21.50
John Caldwell, Road Work.	22.00
P. Hainle, Road Work.	50.50
J. H. Nelson, Road Work.	50.50
Frank Ensign, Road Work.	65.00
Chas. Meyers, Road Work.	40.00
Joe Upton, Road Work.	48.00
C. M. Howard, Road Work.	40.00
J. B. Peck, Road Work.	24.00
J. W. Walker, Road Work.	24.00

Road District No. 3.	Amount.
Pierre Lumber Co., Lumber.	9.45
T. Dyer, Road Work.	2.00
W. E. Moore, Road Work.	21.00
T. Sutherland, Road Work.	30.00
C. E. Cain, Road Work.	215.50
J. M. Bennett, Road Work.	48.00

Road District No. 4.	Amount.
Fresno Co. Abstract Co., Abstract.	157.30
P. Mull, Hauling.	15.00
J. S. Englund, Blacksmithing.	8.15
W. H. Thompson, Blacksmithing.	8.15
E. W. Thompson, Blacksmithing.	3.40
J. W. Myers, Bridge Work.	49.50
E. D. McGuire, Bridge Work.	10.00
H. G. Poligo, Bridge Work.	11.85
W. H. White, Bridge Work.	10.87
Wiley Vineyard, Bridge Work.	10.00
C. J. Dewey, Bridge Work.	2.02
C. F. Stockdale, Bridge Work.	6.00
A. Chambers, Road Work.	5.00
N. Thompson, Road Work.	68.00
R. W. Gaudin, Road Work.	60.50
R. F. Wagon, Road Work.	14.00
Geo. H. Hinson, Road Work.	10.00
S. W. Williams, Road Work.	60.00
S. B. Williams, Road Work.	60.00
P. Bennett, Road Work.	62.00
Vm. Gerles, Road Work.	12.00
W. H. Ipsen, Road Work.	3.75
A. J. Paynter, Road Work.	50.00
John Amett, Road Work.	21.50
H. H. Washburn, Road Work.	18.00
F. Coleman, Road Work.	116.25
Vm. Colwell, Road Work.	5.00
Lumber McGrover, Road Work.	56.62
J. E. Wadsworth, Road Work.	

Road District No. 5.	Amount.
C. B. Drake, Hauling.	79.87
J. A. Drake, Blacksmithing.	24.10
D. R. Evinger, Blacksmithing.	20.30
Frank Lautzen Co., Blacksmithing.	20.00
C. F. Hocking, Road Work.	6.00
S. W. Whitmore, Road Work.	5.50
Henry Bates, Road Work.	14.00
T. J. Bates, Road Work.	30.00
Fresno Vineyard Co., Road Work.	3.50
Will Work, Road Work.	14.00
O. G. Williams, Road Work.	24.50
T. W. Ager, Road Work.	149.25
Dan Burgen, Road Work.	10.00
A. J. Sand, Road Work.	12.00
S. M. Neal, Road Work.	10.00
W. V. Neal, Road Work.	44.00
John G. Road Work.	38.00
J. M. Beattie, Road Work.	38.00
C. Voice, Road Work.	36.00
Wm. Richardson, Road Work.	32.00
I. G. Voice, Road Work.	8.00
F. M. Pool, Road Work.	108.28

General Fund.	Amount.
Miller & Lux, Lumber.	75.24
Pierce Lumber Co., Lumber.	1349.87
Miller & Lux, Lumber.	895.13
Pierce Plume & Lrr. Co., Lumber.	83.04
A. W. Petrea, Lumber.	335.19
Pierce Lumber Co., Lumber.	327.08

General Fund.	Amount.
A. G. Smith, Justice Fees.	177.00
G. W. Smith, Justice Fees.	255.00
G. W. Smith, Justice Fees.	321.00
W. R. Shannon, Justice Fees.	90.00
C. P. Walton, Justice Fees.	125.00
C. H. Banta, Justice Fees.	263.00
W. B. Wright, Constable Fees.	0.30
W. H. Puleston, Constable Fees.	122.70
A. E. Mason, Constable Fees.	60.05
J. M. Powell, Constable Fees.	161.60
F. E. Davis, Constable Fees.	102.60
Joe D. Price, Constable Fees.	74.45
W. D. Danna, Constable Fees.	45.15
W. B. Wright, Cash Expended.	14.00
W. H. Puleston, Cash Expended.	62.15
F. E. Davis, Cash Expended.	63.00
A. E. Mason, Cash Expended.	29.35
Joe D. Price, Cash Expended.	47.25
J. W. Danna, Cash Expended.	21.80
G. W. Cameron, Cash Expended.	5.00
H. E. Barnum, Cash Expended.	10.00
J. B. Hancock, Cash Expended.	100.00
J. D. Collins, Cash Expended.	23.25
T. N. Sample, Cash Expended.	20.75
G. N. Freeman, Cash Expended.	54.00
W. O. Miles, Cash Expended.	19.35
C. M. McCord, Cash Expended.	31.05
L. W. Church, rebate tax.	3.20
H. E. Sandham, rebate tax.	3.20
P. H. Hinson, rebate tax.	1.70
Frederick, rebate tax.	1.70
Jacob Houck, rebate tax.	1.70
A. Mesorbian, rebate tax.	1.70
Carl Olson, rebate tax.	3.40
Lon Deaton, rebate tax.	1.70
Edna A. Dabcock, rebate tax.	20.00
B. T. Meyers, rebate tax.	10.00
G. W. Cameron, rebate tax.	1.70
Geo. Seane, supplies.	10.70
L. D. Powell, supplies.	6.00
Hulland & Holland, supplies.	8.45
Fresno Ice Delivery, supplies.	1.50
Cobb Evans Co., supplies.	75.15
A. Curdick, supplies.	83.94
Donahoe Eumous Co., supplies.	13.00
Degey Robinson Co., supplies.	3.75
I. Solomon, supplies.	90.50
M. C. Walden, supplies.	102.50
Knutner-Goldstein Co., supplies.	34.31
Fresno Gas Co., supplies.	91.90
Cent. Cal. Mch. Wks., repairs.	6.70
Alfred Williams Jr., repairs.	7.50
C. F. Hager, printing.	16.80
Fresno Democrat, printing.	343.38
G. A. Kupfer, printing.	0.00
Franklin Printing House, printing.	30.00
Fresno Republican, printing.	37.35
F. J. Dewey, printing.	0.00
Fresno Democrat, printing.	621.50
Associated Oil Co., oil.	344.40
Sunset Road Oil Co., oil.	454.55
Oil, Fresno Oil Co., oil.	26.28
C. J. McKnight, oiling.	4.00
J. Clifton, oiling.	6.00
W. Richardson, oiling.	4.00
C. Voice, oiling.	8.00
L. J. Ager, oiling.	120.00
J. M. Bennett, oiling.	2.00
David Ackes, oiling.	9.00
F. M. Bollinghouse, oiling.	19.12

General Fund.	Amount.
D. G. Brown, oiling.	16.00
A. D. Henton, oiling.	30.00
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	18.00
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	30.00
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	30.00
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	188.75
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	12.00
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	31.50
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	124.50
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	22.00
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	50.00
V. A. Voyer, oiling.	26.00
John M. Jones, sheriff fees.	6.50
P. Timmon, sheriff fees.	110.00
W. E. Henry, sheriff fees.	30.00
Lavi Hampton, sheriff fees.	8.00
A. D. Dunlap, sheriff fees.	4.45
W. A. Collins, sheriff fees.	3.25
R. T. Thompson, sheriff fees.	20.00
G. R. White, sheriff fees.	1.25
A. J. Williams, supplies.	40.50
Antone Piper, blacksmithing.	15.05
W. D. James, straving.	40.00
A. Bandoni, bridge work.	31.50
D. A. Kindred, bridge work.	24.00
S. Bell, bridge work.	32.00
John Rubke, road work.	0.00
James Brown, road work.	12.00
Jack McSwain, road work.	46.00
N. Dehault, road work.	12.00
E. A. Striven, road work.	5.00
E. D. Brown, road work.	62.25
F. Flores, road work.	112.00
Dan Miller, road work.	151.00
William Moran, road work.	26.00
Con O'Neill, road work.	28.00
A. Sharer, road work.	40.00
John Merritt, road work.	57.00
Sels Larsen, road work.	34.00
Charles McIntire, road work.	10.00
H. McQuinn, road work.	34.00
Ed McQuinn, road work.	34.00
Frank King, road work.	0.00
William Poynt, road work.	30.00
James Higgins, road work.	51.00
B. Angel, road work.	24.00
Charles Hudson, road work.	81.00

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PRESENTS FOR THE CHILDREN

Elks Entertained Many Little Ones.

Each Boy and Girl Was Made Happy—Interesting Program Rendered.

There were three hundred children of all complexions, ages and temperaments at the Christmas tree exercises yesterday afternoon at the Elks hall on J street, nearly all from the homes of parents who were not liberally endowed with this world's goods and whose children could not expect to receive many presents. Though Christmas time was again at hand, but the Elks of Fresno lodge remembered these little ones from humble homes all over this city and all the boys and girls now wear that if the Elks are not the Best People on Earth, they are among the best.

The spacious hall of the Elks was filled with great throngs of merry children, members of the lodge and their wives and invited guests, when Master of Ceremonies Lewis H. Smith announced that a program would be rendered by boys and girls, while Santa Claus was driving his team of reindeer as fast as they could go to bring the presents for the young people. In the southeast corner of the room stood a large Christmas tree, attractively decorated with ornaments and brilliantly lighted with candles. Near the Christmas tree was a huge pile of drums, gongs, dolls,

baseballs and bats, wagons and horns, and another pile of oranges, candies and nuts, which Santa Claus had sent on ahead to the Elks' committee, preparatory to his own arrival on the scene.

In the southwest corner of the room was a large chimney and fire place, with the embers of the fire just dying out, through which old Santa was to make his entrance into the room on his arrival from the frozen north. There were boys with red hair, black hair and tow heads, and girls in whose veins flowed darker blood; some in tattered clothes, some with their toes protruding from their shoes, some with overalls on who had no better garments to wear to the festivities. There were flaxen haired girls that were no bigger than dolls, and then a few whose mothers had done their best by patching up old garments, to make the children look presentable for the occasion.

The first number on the program was an instrumental trio, a selection from "Faust," with Don P. Riggs and Al Braverman as violinists and M. M. I. Meyers at the piano. The children as well as the older people present enjoyed the selection, and the younger members of the audience were not backward in attesting this fact by liberal applause when the orchestra had finished the number. Then Master Herbert Jones played a violin solo, a "Slumber Song," by O. K. Schill, and the boys in the audience took special delight in recognizing the skill of a boy by seeing that he got his due share of applause when the number was rendered.

Miss Bernadotte Williams sang a vocal number, "Louisa Schmidt," and Miss Elka Wormser played Mendelssohn's "Scherzo Capriccioso," as a piano solo, and then Irma Dryer, aged 11 years, brought down the house by her recitation entitled, "Christmas Possum Dinner." The boys felt that the person who got away with those three extra possums should have been hung up and quartered right there and then.

Then 8-year-old Master Blanchard Johnson sang with a clear soprano voice, "Not Because Your Hair Is Curly," with apologies to Judge Hol-land, and the young man was obliged by the audience to respond to an encore. Miss Grace Osburn played a violin solo, "Traumerei," and Miss Ella Wakefield sang Gounod's "Sing, Smile, Slumber," so effectively that two young infants on the west side of the room snuggled and went to sleep in their mother's arms.

The program closed with a march from Handel's "Savior," by Messrs. Riggs, Braverman and Meyers, which was rendered in spirited manner by the orchestra. Lewis H. Smith then announced that at noon on Tuesday the Salvation Army would serve a coffee dinner to the boys and girls at the Coffee Club on I street; that the Salvation Army would also give a Christmas tree entertainment at Chance hall for the boys and girls on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Smith then stated that he had just received a wireless message from Santa Claus, stating that he had got caught in some electric light wires as he was coming down with his pack on the outskirts of this city, that the electric light works would be shut down for a few minutes while Santa Claus was being released from his perilous position.

Accordingly the electric light works were shut down (supposedly), the lights went out in the hall, and soon the jingling of merry sleigh bells announced that Santa Claus had arrived on top of the roof of the building. Then there was a squeaking and a creaking of the old chimney and suddenly Santa (D. H. Williams), all clothed in red and white furs, came out through the fire place. Santa Claus brought with him two old time friends of the boys and girls, Alphonse (Chas. Doyle) and Gaston (L. W. Kline). These three, assisted by Lewis H. Smith, E. L. Chaddock, J. G. Funch and Exalted Ruler Roy Al-lum of the lodge of Elks, were busy for the next hour handing out the presents of wagons, horns, books,

games and dolls, with oranges, candies and nuts to the children. And such a crowding and jostling there was, as each child wanted to be sure that he or she got their share of the good things, and they all certainly got it. And there was more than an old gray haired grandpa in the hall who had to help some little year-old girl to so arrange her doll, book, orange and bag of candy in one pair of small arms so that she could walk home and not drop any on the way.

After the distribution of the presents had been completed, dainty refreshments of coffee, chocolate and wafers were served to the ladies and other invited guests in the banquet room of the hall. The first Christmas tree festival of Fresno Lodge No. 439 of Elks was a success in every particular and carried joy to the hearts of many boys and girls in this city, who would otherwise in many cases have had little Christmas cheer during this joyous season.

ADVANCES IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Men Rewarded for Good Work By Being Advanced in the Service.

Several deserved promotions have been made at the fire department during the past few days, which meet with the general approval of all the fire lobbies. Gust Wintomuto has been advanced from lieutenant to engineer at engine house No. 3. Walter Ferguson, who has so fearlessly driven the three horses on engine No. 1 for some time, is now lieutenant, and Homer Leggett, temporary driver of chemical engine No. 3, stationed at engine house No. 3, takes Walter Ferguson's place as driver of engine No. 1. All of the men have been faithful employees of the fire department, and their respective promotions, carrying with them nice increases in salary, are merited by every one of the men.

MICHAEL SEILER DIES AT ADVANCED AGE

Michael Seiler, a well known resident of the Russian-German settlement, died at the home of his son, Philip Seiler, No. 350 F street, yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, aged 77 years. Death ensued after a week's illness with a complication of diseases, due to old age. Mr. Seiler came to this country from Russia fourteen years ago and had been a resident of Fresno for the past seven years. Two sons, Philip of F street and Dietrich of E street, reside in this city, while the remaining members of the family, consisting of four daughters, live in Washington and Nebraska. The funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the Congregational church on F street.

Win

You will win if you look into our windows. Watch them for Specials for Christmas. This is the time of year we are willing to make it a little easier for the overburdened giver. We know all about it, so we have a fellow feeling.

Dows

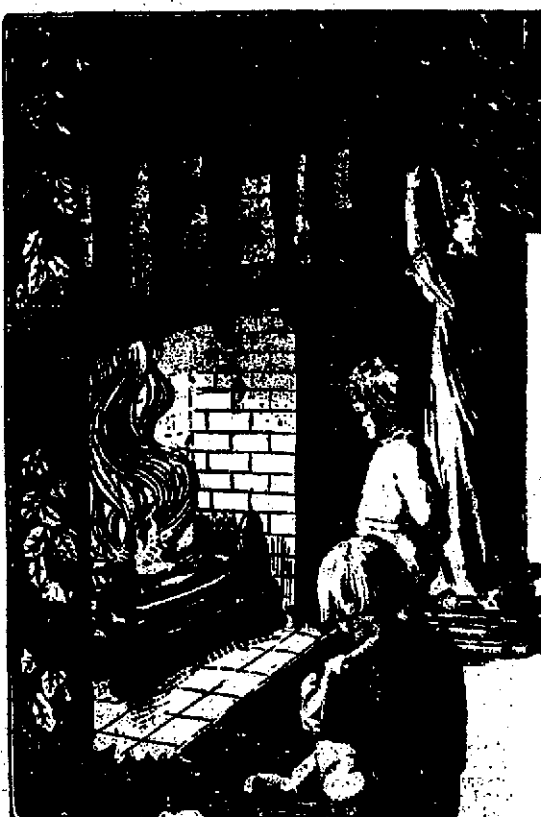
Wormser Furniture Co.

Oberlin's Christmas Gift Suggestions

Cut Glass Comports	.....	\$5 to \$15
Cut Glass Nappies	.....	\$1.75 to \$10
Cut Glass Bowls	.....	\$3 to \$50
Cut Glass Plates	.....	\$3.50 to \$15
Cut Glass Tumblers, set of 6	.....	\$1 to \$12
Cut Glass Cream and Sugar	.....	\$3.75 to \$15
Cut Glass Jugs and Pitchers	.....	\$7 to \$20
Cut Glass Vases	.....	\$2.75 to \$18
Brooches	.....	\$2 to \$500
Ladies' 20-year gold filled watch	.....	\$12
Gold Bracelets	.....	\$7 to \$35
Heavy Pins, pair	.....	\$1 to \$10
Gold Crosses	.....	\$2 to \$17
Watch Fobs	.....	\$3 to \$50
Parker Fountain Pens	.....	\$1.50 to \$20
Solid Gold Cuff Links	.....	\$2 to \$11
Back Combs	.....	\$1.25 to \$12
Solid Silver Shaving Sets	.....	\$5 to \$7.50
Solid Silver Comb and Brush in pretty box	.....	\$6.75 to \$10
Gentleman's Solid Silver Military Brushes, pair	.....	\$7 to \$10
Ladies' Combs with Solid Silver mountings	.....	\$1.25 to \$2.50
Butters with Solid Silver backs	.....	\$1.25 to \$3
Cut Glass Puff Boxes, Solid Silver tops	.....	\$2.50 to \$8.50
Cut Glass Salve Jars, Solid Silver tops	.....	75c to \$2.50
Cut Glass Tooth Powder Boxes, Solid Silver tops	.....	\$1 to \$1.50
Cut Glass Tooth Brush Bottles, Solid Silver Tops	.....	75c to \$2
Nail File, Solid Silver handle	.....	75c to \$2
Corn Knife, Solid Silver handle	.....	75c to \$2
Cuticle, Solid Silver handle	.....	75c to \$2
Tweezers, Solid Silver handle	.....	75c to \$2
Button Hooks, Solid Silver handle	.....	75c to \$2
Solid Silver Scissors	.....	\$1.50 to \$3
Solid Silver Toilet Sets	.....	\$17 to \$50
Solid Silver Manicure Sets	.....	\$5 to \$40
Ladies' Solid Silver Hair Brushes	.....	\$4 to \$7.50
Ladies' Solid Silver Mirrors	.....	\$3.75 to \$12
Solid Silver Cloth Brushes	.....	\$3.75 to \$5
Solid Silver Hat Brushes	.....	\$1.75 to \$2.50
Solid Silver Velvet Brushes	.....	\$3

OBERLIN BROTHERS

The Progressive Jewelers
1179 J Street, Fish Block.



Credit to Responsible People

OPEN THIS EVENING

Christmas Bargains Reach Their Zenith Today

Dozens of Extra Sales People—Extra Delivery Wagons—Extra Delivery Hours—The Store is ready to handle the Biggest Volume of Trade Ever Known in Fresno

Were you here Saturday? If you were, you know how thick the crowds were. How people good naturedly elbowed their way through the throngs to reach some favored spot in the store. You saw the enthusiastic buying, the pleased looks on the faces of the thousands of shoppers. You saw the untiring efforts of the sales force to please every one. You noticed the cheerfulness of the clerks. Their tasks are made as easy here as possible.

There's a reason for the immense crowds that gather here. A reason worth considering today. People would not come in ever increasing numbers to this store if they did not do better—IF THEY DID NOT SAVE MONEY—THAT THEY DO, SHOULD BE AN IMPORTANT POINTER FOR YOU.

Time is valuable today. Take time enough to arrange your purchases on a tablet or card and then come straight here. You will save worry, bother and money.

We are Closing out Toy Department—Everything Today at Almost Half Price.

\$6 Dressing Sacques \$3.95

Short-all-wool-ripple eiderdown dressing sacque, elaborately trimmed with silk bands and buttons, fancy sleeves, inlaid collars, some with wide rolling collars and sleeves. Colors pink, grey, blue, lavender. \$6.00 values **\$3.95**

\$8.50 to \$10 Dress Skirts \$4.65

New circular and 13 goared skirts in shadow plaids; plain panamas and stripes; handsome mixtures in the new pleated models; perfectly cut and tailored. Skirts that are shown for \$8.50 to \$10.00 **\$4.65**

\$8, \$10, \$12 Waists \$3.65

Heavy quality chiffon taffeta waists: one model has pointed yoke; trimmed with bands and French knots; others have the embroidered front or the plain tailor made effects; long or short sleeves; open front or back. Also a few all over lace waists, made over silk foundations.

\$5 Furs Now \$3.95. \$2.25 Wrappers, \$1.23.

The possession of a fur wrap is always a source of pleasure, and these good furs are remarkably low priced. At the original figure of \$5 they were at least \$2 under the price asked elsewhere for similar qualities.

Imitation Ermine, four-inch hand styles; fur scarfs; 36 ounce around the bottom; cut inches long; lined with white extra full. \$2.25, \$2 and \$1.75 satin or heavy Dresden silk. Wrappers. Choice for \$1.23.

Big Millinery Price Cuts

Never in the history of millinery selling in Fresno has such splendid hats been sold at these prices at this time of the year.

We are placing a lower price on really fine millinery now than other stores will ask in February.

That's the difference between this progressive store and the kind that follow in the old and beaten pathway of commercial life. This store always does things differently—that's why it is so popular, so busy.

Just understand that these prices are linked to the very best and the most stylish of millinery; that every hat is of this season's make, and behind every hat is the Redlick guarantee of good style and good quality.

\$5 and \$6 Trimmed Hats are now \$2.25
\$7 and \$8 Trimmed Hats are now \$2.95
 Children's Hats worth up to \$5 are now **\$1.75**
 Women's fancy Dress Hats, worth up to \$10, are now selling for **\$3.95**
 Large Picture Hats, worth up to \$15, are now selling for **\$6.05**

Light Blue Dress Hats in the best shapes, worth up to \$12.50, are now selling for **\$4.95**
 Children's Colonial Hats, worth up to \$2.50, are now selling for **.79c**
 Children's Turkish Caps, worth up to \$2, are now selling for **.69c**
 Mercury Wings, worth up to \$2, are now selling for **.69c**

Beautiful Ribbons, Yd., 12c

8000 yards of Silk Taffeta ribbon for children's hair, millinery, sacques, belts or fancy work; No. 40 width — 3-1/2 inches; all the popular colors; heavy body and good edge; high luster; rich finish. Worth 25c a yard. Today **12c**

Pillow Tops, 29c.

Lithograph Pillow Tops. Fifty new tops just added to our collection of fancy pillows—the largest stock and greatest assortment of new stylish covers in Fresno. Regular 50c values. Each, 29c.

Belt Sale.

1800 leather Belts in this sale—30c and 75c qualities. Soft lamb skin; fast dye; colors black, white, red or green; gilt or gun metal buckles. Choice **35c**

Colgate Soap, 5c.

Turkish bath or hotel soaps; very excellent quality; 10c grade. Today, cake, 5c.

\$1.00 Purses, 50c.

All Leather Purses in black and brown; moir lined; steel riveted frame; heavy round handle reinforced. Regular price, \$1.00. December sale price, 50c.

Handkerchief Specials.

Slightly soiled; been handled or used for display purposes. One washing rights the looks; less than half price now; children's linen cambric handkerchiefs; 5c and 10c values. Dozen **35c**

\$3.50 Spreads, \$2.50.

Genuine French Pique Bed Spreads; very heavy and in the full double bed size. Nothing wears better than these French goods. All hemmed and ready for use. Today, only, **\$2.50**.

Grocery News

Let the good things for that Christmas dinner come from Redlick's today. You will pay less for the very best of goods. Some particularly fine cakes today at the delicacy counter. Fine enough to satisfy the most critical housewife.

French Candies, the best money can buy, 1-lb. box **35c**
 Christmas Mixed Cakes, 10-lb. box **\$1.15**
 Christmas Mixed Candy, 10-lb. box **10c**
 Fancy Mixed Nuts, 2 lbs. **25c**
 Fancy Cranberries, 2 qts. **25c**
 Fancy Navel Oranges, doz. **20c**
 Imported Swiss Cheese, 10-lb. box **33c**
 New Crop Olives, qt. **20c**
 Home-made Mince Meat, 2 lbs. **25c**
 Van Camp's Pumpkin, 2 cans **25c**
 Pop Corn, 2 lbs. **15c**
 Surprise Coffee, lb. **25c**
 Fancy Cluster Raisins, 2 lbs. **25c**
 Sliced or grated Pineapple, 25c can **10c**
 Preserves or Jams, 25c kind **22c**
 Fancy Sweet Pickles, qt. **25c**
 Home-made Fruit Cake, lb. **25c**

Children's Patent Leather Belts

Buster Brown Style. Made of best patent leather in all colors: black, white, red, navy or silver. Heavy, nickel buckles and trimmings; regular 35c value, each **23c**

75c Silk Collars 43c

Made of the finest silk taffeta, heavily embroidered; 18 different patterns, raised effects; colors: white, pink, blue, lavender, green and black; usually sells at 75c each; our price **43c**

Opera Bags.

A magnificent assortment here to choose from. A fine opera bag makes a worthy present. We are showing some beautiful ideas in Dresden effects. Prices range from **\$3** down to **\$1**.

New Fall Neckwear 25c

The largest and most complete collar department. We carry every style, color and price to fit every pocket book.

Linen, silk, chiffon, pique, lace and Swiss stock collars, with tabs and without; every style is represented, also plaid effects in a great variety every 35c collar has been reduced to 25c to make this our strongest line; each **25c**

Figured Satens

Lighter dark colors; usually sell at 15c yard **11c**

Comfort Cretonne

The right thing for home-made comforts; a firm substantial weave that sells at 12 1/2c a yard everywhere and we are offering it for **10c**

Fancy Box Handkerchief

Initials from A to Z; all pure linen; 1/4 inch hemstitched border with a beautiful raised initial in corner; 6 in box; price **\$1.00**

Du Berry Coin Purse.

The latest New York craze. Swell colorings; black if you prefer it. They are exceptionally nice for presents. Prices from **\$3.50** down to **\$1.25**.

Long Gloves.

Give gloves and you give pleasure. They are always acceptable; always useful. We have a splendid stock of long kid gloves, 12, 14 and 16 button lengths, at **\$3.50** and **\$3** a pair. Gloves that are fully a dollar a pair better than you can find in any of the other stores.

Our Famous Short Kid Gloves

We have them in two and three clasp at **\$1.25**, **\$1.50**, **\$1.75** a pair. Every pair made from the finest selected kids and silk sewed.

\$1 Glove Box 69c.

Not alone glove boxes, but handkerchief boxes as well. Hand painted flowers; celluloid sides and bottom; silk lining; all colors.

Big Handkerchief Special \$1.50 Box 79c

Swiss handkerchiefs, embroidered in eyelet or blind stitch; the biggest bargain of the season. Put up in very attractive boxes.

Men's Holiday Slippers.

Men's Tan Vici Opera Slippers; hand turned sole. \$2.25 value. On sale for **\$1.73**
 Men's Black Kid Opera Slippers; kid lined; fancy scroll foxing. \$2.00 value. On sale for **\$1.53**
 Men's black or tan grain Morocco Everett slippers; hand turned soles. \$2.00 values. On sale for **\$1.48**
 Men's black or brown imitation Alligator Slippers; opera or Everett style. \$1.25 value. On sale for **53c**
 Men's embroidered Velvet slippers. \$1.00 value. On sale for **72c**

A big variety of men's and ladies' slippers, which make useful holiday gifts.

\$3.50 Shoes, \$2.95. Ladies' black Vici Kid shoes' dull calf tops; college cut with large Jumbo eyelets; light flexible soles; new military heels. \$3.50 value. On sale for **\$2.95**

\$3.50 Slippers, \$1.98.

Ladies' fancy Slippers for house wear, in patent kid and soft vici kid; one, two or three straps, cross straps, etc.; some have beaded camps; others have braided straps; a large variety of styles, but only in one price. On sale, **\$1.98**. Values \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50.

Interesting News Dress Goods

High class fabrics moderately priced for the day before Christmas.

36 inch Black Beau de Soie Silk, an elegant highly finished silk; suitable for coats or suitings purposes. Popular for its gracefulness and a \$5.00 quality. Priced today **\$1.48**

45 inch Black French Serge Madras; a handsome skirt or suit; soft in texture; a guaranteed black; light in weight, but warm. Worth the regular Special today **\$2.98**

Really \$3.50 values.

\$1 Bed Spreads, 75c.

Single bed size; excellent values; three ply cotton yarn; all hemmed ready for use. Better buy liberally of them today—they are real bargains.

Ruching Novelty Collars 23c Box

Made of chiffon and Swiss; pretty effects in neck ruching; 6 stripes; collars that fit the neck; color, white only; 6 pieces in the box for **23c**

Good brown Toweling 10c

A new weave and one of the hits of the season; very dainty floral patterns; embossed designs; raised ground. It's a 25c value and we are selling it by the yard for **10c**

Drapery News; Embossed Novelty